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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of:

Inventor: ASH, et al.
For: Apparatus And Method To Initialize Information Disposed In An Information Storage
And Retrieval System

Enclosed are the following:

Specification 17 pages; Claims 8 pages; Abstract 1 page
 Declaration and Power of Attorney
 Sheet(s) of drawings 7 pages
 An assignment of the invention to: International Business Machines Corporation
 A certified copy of _____ application No. _____, filed _____
 Prior Art Disclosure Statement
 Preliminary Amendment

Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.

Priority is hereby claimed under 35 USC 119 by way of _____ patent application
No. _____ filed _____

Benefit is hereby claimed under Title 35, United States Code 119(e) of United States provisional
application No. _____ filed _____

The filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

		SMALL ENTITY	LARGE ENTITY
BASIC FEE:		\$385.00	\$ 770.00
TOTAL CLAIMS:	20 - 20 =	x 9 =	x 18 =
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS:	3 - 3 =	x 43 =	x 86 =
MULT. DEPEND. CLAIMS:		+ 145 =	+ 290 =
TOTAL:		\$	\$770.00

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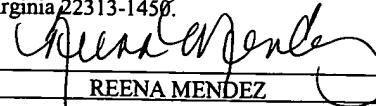
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